

MINUTES
SOUTH CAROLINA AERONAUTICS COMMISSION
February 8, 2012
4:00 p.m. Myrtle Beach, South Carolina

Commission Members in Attendance

Delphin A. Gantt, Jr., Chairman
Vacant, District 1
Frank W. Young, M.D., District 2
Ira E. Coward II, Vice-Chairman & District 3
Robert E. Walker, District 4
Barry G. Avent, District 5
Dennis L. Dabney, CPA, Secretary & District 6

Aeronautics Staff in Attendance

Paul G. Werts, Executive Director
Revé Richardson, Recording Secretary
James Stephens, Program Manager

Visitors

Doug Decker	John Hodge, Esq., John Hodge & Associates
Bob Minter, AOPA	Hartsell Rogers, Florence Regional Airport
Judy Elder, Talbert & Bright, Inc.	Harry Houlkes, NBAA

Welcome & Call to Order

Chairman Gantt called the meeting to order and announced a quorum in attendance. He welcomed everyone and requested **Commissioner Avent** give the invocation. Mr. Werts introduced the guests.

Approval of Minutes

Chairman Gantt presented the minutes of the December 15, 2011 Commission meeting for approval. **Commissioner Avent** made a **Motion** the minutes be approved as written and presented, **Vice-Chairman Coward** seconded, and all approved.

Legislative Update

Chairman Gantt inquired if there was a legislative update. **Vice-Chairman Coward** stated Title 55 should go from Judiciary to the House this month and we hope for it to go on the uncontested calendar. The Commission owes thanks and appreciation to Mr. West, Mr. Dennis, Mr. Hamilton, the Municipal Association and the Association of Counties for all of their work and support they have given to Title 55.

Projects for Consideration

Aiken Municipal Airport

Mr. Werts presented a state and federal capital improvement project for Aiken Municipal Airport for a glide slope installation grant amendment. The state portion of the project request is \$114,095 (making the total state award added to the original project of \$292,148) and the total amended project amount is \$716,005. The SCAC staff recommends approval of this project. **Secretary Dabney** made a **Motion** to approve the project as presented; **Commissioner Avent** seconded; and after discussion, all approved.

Florence Regional Airport

Mr. Werts presented a state and local maintenance improvement project for the Florence Regional Airport to remark airfield pavements and crack seal Runway 1/19 and connecting taxiways, engineering design services for installing a new roof on the passenger terminal building, and engineering design services for constructing a new west general aviation apron. The state portion of the project is \$274,094 and the total project amount is \$304,549. The SCAC staff recommends approval of this project. **Secretary Dabney** made a **Motion** the project be approved as presented; **Vice-Chairman Coward** seconded; and after discussion, all approved.

Financial, Budget, Executive Director's Reports & Aeronautics Update

Financial reports, Aviation Fuel Sales Report, Open Grants Report, and Flight Operations Report were accepted as presented.

Mr. Werts announced that in 2012, FAA grants will be at 90 percent with state and local match at five percent each. Mr. Stephens gave a presentation on the Aviation Summer Camp planned for July. Mr. Werts presented Bill S1141 on property tax. Mr. Decker gave a brief presentation to the Commission concerning same. Mr. Hodge presented a draft of 89.25 requesting suggestions for wording at the next meeting and also discussed a more professional manifest being designed and placed on the website.

District Reports

District 2 – Commissioner Young – no report.

District 3 – Vice-Chairman Coward – no report.

District 4 – Commissioner Walker – Announced a new pilot club at Spartanburg Downtown Memorial Airport.

District 5 – Commissioner Avent – no report.


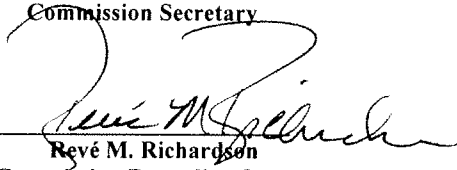
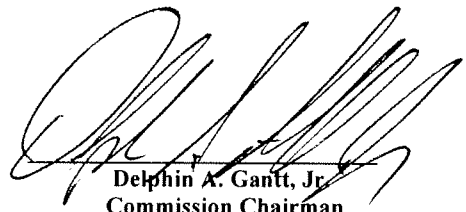
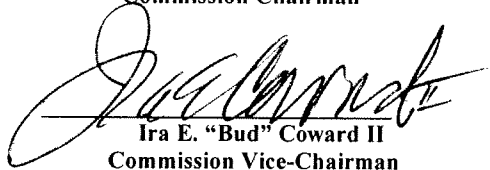
District 6 – Secretary Dabney – no report.

New/Other Business

No new or other business was presented

Adjournment

There being no further business, ***Vice-Chairman Coward*** moved the meeting be adjourned, ***Secretary Dabney*** seconded, and all approved.


Dennis L. Dabney, CPA
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